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From: Voytilla, Marykay
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2014 12:52 PM
To: R10-Park Place Remodel
Subject: FW: NSF 372 Inquiry - Model PSE29KSESS - GE refrigerators compliant per EPA
Attachments: consumer access_3-28-2014_NSF 372 - Model PSE29KSESS GE response_MS Outlook - Memo.pdf

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-----Original Message-----

From: Clark, Lynn
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2014 12:27 PM
To: Marshall, Wendy
Cc: Voytilla, Marykay; Allamano, Jonell; Mills, Joann; Hendrickson, Andrew
Subject: NSF 372 Inquiry - Model PSE29KSESS - GE refrigerators compliant per EPA

Wendy,

Thanks for confirming that their submittal shows that the GE refrigerators are in compliance.

Attached is a copy of the GE response to my query about consumer access:

"We have discussed adding the link to our GE Appliances webpage on every model and the WQA GoldSeal for this purpose with the 2014 addition for the EPA requirement (NSF 372) but are still in discussions on how to handle this across product lines. There is a cost to put the GoldSeal labels on the units or literature so we are discussing the direct access link only for the GE Appliance webpage. Currently WQA only handles our Refrigeration and Hot Water tank accounts for this certification purpose so access to other webpages are required for our full product families."

Regards,

Lynn Clark, CFM, FMP, LEED AP BD+C

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-----Original Message-----

From: Marshall, Wendy
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2014 12:11 PM
To: Clark, Lynn
Subject: FW: NSF 372 Inquiry - Model PSE29KSESS

Lynn,

The Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act requires compliance with the lower lead levels, but there is no requirement that requires manufacturers to inform the consumer if they are compliant. Most consumers would not even know to ask, so they are left uninformed. This has been a concern for many of us in the EPA regional drinking water programs.

I'm certainly glad to see that GE is compliant, but it is too bad that it was so difficult for you to acquire this information. Thank you for all your efforts.

Wendy

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To: Clark, Lynn
Cc: Marshall, Wendy; Voytilla, Marykay; Hendrickson, Andrew; Allamano, Jonell; Mills, Joann; ~AppLight GE CHS Consumer Relations
Subject: RE: NSF 372 Inquiry - Model PSE29KSESS

Lynn,

The website, wqa.org is accessible to any consumer to look up our refrigeration and filter models for compliance but we have only been pointing customers or 3rd parties there as needed for certification verification. We have discussed adding the link to our GE Appliances webpage on every model and the WQA GoldSeal for this purpose with the 2014 addition for the EPA requirement (NSF 372) but are still in discussions on how to handle this across product lines. There is a cost to put the GoldSeal labels on the units or literature so we are discussing the direct access link only for the GE Appliance webpage. Currently WQA only handles our Refrigeration and Hot Water tank accounts for this certification purpose so access to other webpages are required for our full product families.

Let me know if you have more questions but will get you the updated documents hopefully Mon/Tues.

Regards,
June White

<http://www.wqa.org/>
Use "Find A Certified Product" under Hot Topics – 1st item
[cid:image004.jpg@01CF4A93.E2E4D810]

<http://www.wqa.org/goldseal/goldsealSearch.cfm>
Brings you to the 2nd page --- Search by Manufacturer – "GE" &/or "General Electric Appliances" (NSF/ANSI 372 – Refrigeration)
[cid:image006.jpg@01CF4A93.E2E4D810]
8th item on search list - "General Electric Appliances (NSF/ANSI 372 – Refrigeration)"
[cid:image009.jpg@01CF4A93.E2E4D810]

General Electric Appliances (NSF/ANSI 372 – Refrigeration)
<http://12.2.248.199/goldseal/detail4.cfm?tableDefID=29&companyID=6362>
[cid:image012.jpg@01CF4A93.E2E4D810]
From: Clark, Lynn [mailto:Clark.Lynn@epa.gov]
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Subject: NSF 372 Inquiry - Model PSE29KSESS

Ms. June White,

Thank- you for the reply to my request. I look forward to receiving the updated documentation.

Please clarify: In the future, how may I as a consumer access this information to confirm compliance?

Regards,

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From: White, June (GE, Appl & Light) [mailto:JUNE.WHITE@GE.COM]

Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2014 9:49 AM

To: Clark, Lynn

Cc: Caren Settler

Subject: NSF 372 Inquiry - Model PSE29KSESS

Case: 13155044, Model: PSE29KSESS, Serial No:VA415593

Ms. Lynn Clark,

Regarding your recent inquiry per our compliance to NSF 372 for our refrigerator wetted parts, we use WQA as our third party certifier and use their website to document our listings. For this particular model inquiry, I do know that we are compliant on our wetted parts but it is actually missing on their database link. We are updating that now as it was a mistake on my new model nomenclature excel sheet summary from 7/11/13 (attached) that led to us leaving it off last year. We should have that updated by next week and I will send you notification and the updated certification sheets for closure once they are posted. Note: The wetted parts did not change from the previous certified model, PSHS9PGZ, just the nomenclature for the new model is missing. All the other model updates made it on there but I missed that one for some odd reason.

I have posted the links below to the WQA website for your perusal along with the Celaya MX manufacturing site model certification sheet that will be updated to show you how each site is covered. We have several refrigeration mfg sites so this is just one example of our documentation process.

Please let me know if you have further inquiries or would like to review another refrigerator model with us and WQA.

Regards,
June White

Reference New model and Old model nomenclatures – missed it in the 2nd column
NEW LISTING summary rollup NEW MODEL

NEW LISTING

NEW LISTING

BASE MODEL

BASE LISTING

PSE29KSEBCSS

PSE29K

PSE29K

PSHS9PGZBCSS

PSHS9PGZ

Attachments:

- Excel 2013 new models @ Celaya Mfg location (Model listings with missing model PSE29K which we are correcting)
- Current certification for Celaya Mfg location (which will be updated next week as well)

Water Quality Association Link to GE Refrigeration Models compliance to NSF372 – will have model added with update

<http://12.2.248.199/goldseal/detail4.cfm?tableDefID=29&companyID=6362>

Water Quality Association Link to other listings

<http://www.wqa.org/goldseal/goldsealSearch.cfm>

Reference Consumer Case #13155044:

Re: Case: 13155044, Model: PSE29KSESS, Serial No:VA415593 A summary of the query: Online GE documents reference NSF standard 42 and 53. Those standards address the amount of lead that is filtered out of the water. The 2011 Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act addresses lead components. If there are any brass fittings or fixtures in the part of the refrigerator that provides drinking water or ice, these need to meet the new definition of lead free.

NSF 61 and NSF 372 are the standards that address lead content. If the refrigerator does include any brass components then those need to meet the NSF 61 standard that became effective in January 2014 and/or NSF 372.

I seek documentation that the GE Profile Series Side-by-Side Refrigerator with Dispenser is in compliance of these two standards: NSF 61 and NSF 372.

June White

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